A STRANGE CREATURE SHOWED UP.
HE'S NEITHER HUMAN,
悠遠の殺し屋と半人半竜の少年――
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CHANGE BACK, KIYA!
TO ARCHE-TYPE!

ARE YOU?!
WHA... WHAT EXACTLY...!!
ME?
I AM...
TJ'S
HUNT-ING DOG!

YOU! OL'MAN OVER THERE IN THE TRENCH COAT!
WHICH GIRDLE D'YA BELONG TO?
YOU DON'T REALLY SEE HUMANS OUT AND ABOUT ON CHRISTMAS EVE, WHAT WITH THIS BITTER COLD
WE'RE OKAY BECAUSE WE'VE GOT THIS NATURAL FUR.
BUT IT'S DIFFERENT FOR
Short n'fluffy
THESE HUMANS, THESE WEAKLINGS
ONE OF THE HUNTERS.
THAT'S TRUE.
BUT I'M...

I CAN'T BE KILLED WITH JUST TWO SHOTS
WE'RE AWESOME ENOUGH EVEN WITHOUT THESE WEAPONS
BUT LATELY WE'VE BEEN GETTING OUR FIX...
BY KILLING YA BASTARDS WITH THE WEAPONS YA'LL HAVE CREATED
FUCKING HUMAN!
TJ!

SCUD! BEER! LOOK!
THAT'S KIYA?!
?!
WHA- WHAT THE HELL IS THAT THING?!

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DON'T COME OVER HERE!
TJ!
WHEN, EXACTLY... DID I COMMAND YOU...
TO "COME HERE"?!
DON'T TAKE YOUR EYES OFF YOUR "PREY"!

GAH!

YOU MONSTER!
SHIT...
ARE YOU... A COMRADE? NO... YOU'RE DIFFERENT FROM US!
CLIMB ON!

BEING CALLED A MONSTER BY YOU FIENDS
IT'S ACTUALLY A GREAT HONOR!

GO, KIYA!
HELL YEAH!
THAT'S AWESOME!

DIE!
JUST DIE!
I CAN'T JUST STAND AROUND WATCHING THIS!
Ah...
WHY SHOULD I?!
RIEF, WAIT!
LET'S GO, GRANATE!

IF HE NEEDS RESCUING AT THIS POINT, HE'LL NEVER BE OF ANY USE.
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KIYA!
YOU ARE THE STRONGEST PREDATOR ON THE LAND!
TEAR THEM APART!

SCUD, WHAT D'YOU THINK THAT LOOKS LIKE?
WHO KNOWS...
MAYBE A DINOSAUR?
NOT SURE IF A DINOSAUR WHO LOOKED LIKE THAT EVER EXISTED THOUGH.
WE BEASTMEN HAVE INHABITED THIS EARTH SINCE LONG BEFORE HUMANS!
IF ANYONE'S TO GO EXTINCT, IT SHOULD BE YOUR KIND!
LOOKS LIKE THE ONLY THING WE CAN CALL IT IS A "DRAGON".
IT'S CERTAINLY... A POWER STRONGER THAN ANY HUMAN'S.

BURN THEM AWAY,
SO THAT NOT EVEN THE BONES ARE LEFT BEHIND.
YOU BASTARDS, TRAPPED IN THE AGONY OF DEATH!
THIS IS AS SOOTHING TO ME AS HEAVENLY MUSIC!
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Hmp.
I'M INSANE
I FEEL THAT WHEN THESE THINGS BIT MY LEGS OFF,
THEY ALSO ATE AWAY MY HUMANITY

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CONTROLLING KIYA MEANS THAT ILUMINE NOW HAS THE ULTIMATE NATURAL ENEMY OF THE DICAPAY ON THEIR SIDE!
THIS GUY'S SO MUCH MORE THAN A "LIVING WEAPON" EARTHE SEEMS TO THINK OF HIM AS...
THIS GUY'S TOTALLY BADASS!
WAOOO!!
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HE'S
BLEEDING!
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TRANS-FORM TO HUMAN!
HE MUST BE IN PAIN...
THERE'S A LOT OF BLOOD...

SNIFF
SNIFF
SO MANY I...
HAVE DIED...
WHEN PUSH COMES TO SHOVE, YOU HAVE TO BE
BUT HUMANS ARE OFF-LIMITS, OKAY?
BUT FATHER...
EVEN SO, KOYOMI...

KIYA!
WAIT!
ARGH!
I MUST GO AFTER HIM...
I...
I LET HIM ESCAPE...

LEAVE IT TO TJ
ALRIGHT
THE TEST IS OVER
IT'S OKAY YOU DON'T HAVE TO CHASE HIM DOWN
HOW DID I DO...?
IT'S OVER -?
IS THIS.. GOOD ENOUGH?

THE SCENT FROM THAT TIME...?
YOU PASSED.
YOU DID GOOD.
!
UH...
THEY REALLY CAN GOT YOU YOU STILL HERE.. STAND AND WALK?
YEAH

AND TJ YOUR LEG GOT ALL MESSED UP TOO
IT'LL HEAL UP IN NO TIME!
THIS IS NOTHING.
HOO-RAY! HEH HEH!
YOUR CHEST IS SO WARM, TJ
WRAP UP
EVEN THOUGH HE'S AN INNOCENT YOUNG BOY COVERED IN BLOOD FROM SUCH HORRIBLE WOUNDS,
HE'S STILL MORE CONCERNED ABOUT HIS MASTER
IF IT WERE ME, I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO TAKE IT
I CAN'T STAND IT
BEER?

BEING INCONSISTENT AND CONTRADICTORY IS HUMAN NATURE.
MISS GRANATE, YOUR MERCILESS QUESTIONS WOUND ME!
IN-COM-PRE-HEN-SIBLE.
YOU'VE KILLED SO MANY BEASTS, AND YOU'RE CRYING OVER SOMETHING LIKE THIS?
WHAT YOU'RE SAYING DOESN'T FIT KIYA AT ALL!
YOU'RE BEING PRETTY STRANGE THERE, BEER
AND WE CAUGHT THE BEAST THAT ESCAPED!
I'VE LOOKED OVER GRANATE'S TRANS-MISSION.
MY BAD
HEY SHAVER! YOU'RE LATE! WHAT WERE YOU DOING?
WITH THIS YOU'RE OFFICIALLY ONE OF US TRAPPERS
CONGRA-TULATIONS.
NOW EVERYONE RECOGNIZ-ES YOUR STRENGTH.
YOU WERE AWE-SOME OUT THERE, KIYA!
YOU GUYS...

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THOSE BORNE FROM DARKNESS MUST RETURN TO THE DARKNESS.
MAY THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO WERE SACRIFICED FIND SALVATION AT THE HANDS OF THE MERCIFUL GOD!

SHE'S AN ANDROID
SO GRANATE'S A HORSE?
IT'S COLD
SNOW?
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME SEEING SNOW..
WITH THIS YOU'RE OFFICIALLY ONE OF US TRAPPERS
CONGRATULATIONS
ISN'T BEER KINDA LIKE SANTA CLAUS?
I'VE SEEN SANTA BACK, WHEN I WAS A KID

CAN WE STAY LIKE THIS A LITTLE LONGER? PLEASE?
ONLY 'TIL WE REACH THE CAR.
Tch.
DON'T MIS-UNDERSTAND I'M JUST GIVING MY HOUND A REWARD HERE.
I'LL TREAT YOU TO A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS DINNER TONIGHT. A WHOLE COW!
WOO-HOO!
"SHAVER'S "CONGRATS" IS RESONAT-ING IN MY HEART.
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHETHER YOU'RE GOD OR THE DEVIL.
BECAUSE RIGHT NOW FOR ME,
THIS IS HEAVEN